AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended) A recording apparatus comprising:

recording mode setting means for setting a first recording mode for recording moving image data and still image data each having a first information quantity per unit time on a recording medium, and a second recording mode for recording moving image data and still image data each having a second information quantity larger than the first information quantity per unit time on the recording medium;

recording means for recording <u>moving image data and still</u> image data on a <u>the</u> recording medium;

instruction means for instructing recording of a still image; and
control means for controlling said recording means to start recording on the
recording medium still image data in response to a recording instruction of the still image by
said instruction means and to stop recording the still image data a predetermined recording
period after the recording was started,

wherein said control means changes the predetermined recording period <u>for recording the still image data</u> between a first predetermined period <u>for recording the still image data</u> and a second predetermined period shorter than the first predetermined period <u>for recording the still image data</u> in accordance with the recording mode set by said recording mode setting means so that said recording means starts recording on the recording medium the still image data in response to the recording instruction of the still image by said instruction

means and stops recording the still image data at the first predetermined period after the recording was started when the first recording mode is set by said recording mode setting means, and starts recording on the recording medium the still image data in response to the recording instruction of the still image by said instruction means and stops recording the still image data at the second predetermined period after the recording was started when the second recording mode is set.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control means controls said recording means to record detection data for detecting the still image data recorded on the recording medium with the still image data in response to the recording instruction of the still image at a predetermined timing defined according to each of the first and second recording modes.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein when the first recording mode is set by said recording mode setting means, said control means controls said recording means to record the detection data by multiplexing the detection data on the image data for a period shorter than, and substantially positioned in the middle of the first recording period.

Claim 4 (Previously presented): An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein when the second recording mode is set, said control means controls said recording means to record the detection data by multiplexing the detection data on the still image data from a head portion of the second recording period.

Claim 5 (Original): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording means records the image data of one frame in an n number of tracks (n is an integer of 1 or more) on the

recording medium on the first recording mode, and the image data of one frame in an 2xn number of tracks on the recording medium on the second recording mode.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a length of the first recording period is shorter than the second recording period.

Claim 7 (Original): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the second recording mode is set according to SD specifications defined by HD Digital VCR Council, and the first recording mode is set according to SD High Compression Specifications defined by HD Digital VCR Council.

Claim 8 (Original): An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the detection data is a photo picture ID (PPID) defined by HD Digital VCR Council.

Claim 9 (Currently amended): A recording apparatus having a first recording mode for recording moving image data and still image data each having a first information quantity per unit time on a recording medium and a second recording mode for recording moving image data and still image data each having a second information quantity larger than the first information quantity per unit time on the recording medium, and including a mode switch for setting the first and second recording modes,

wherein <u>said recording apparatus changes</u> a predetermined recording period <u>for recording still image data</u> from the starting of recording <u>still image data</u> to the stopping of recording <u>still image data</u> is <u>changed</u> between a first predetermined period <u>for recording the still image data</u> and a second predetermined period shorter than the first predetermined period <u>for recording the still image data</u> in accordance with the recording mode set by said mode switch so that, when the first recording mode is set by said mode switch, <u>said recording apparatus</u> <u>starts recording</u> still image data <u>starts recording</u> with detection data for detecting the still image

data recorded on the recording medium in response to an instruction of still image recording and stops recording at the first predetermined period after the recording was started and, when the second recording mode is set by said mode switch, said recording apparatus starts recording still image data starts recording with the detection data on the recording medium in response to the instruction of still image recording and stops recording at the second predetermined period after the recording was started.